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CONSTRUCTION SAFETY STANDARDS COMMISSION MEETING

October 12, 2005—11:15 a.m.

State Secondary Complex—General Office Building
Conference Room B – 7150 Harris Drive--Lansing

MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Tom Boensch
Lynn Coleman
Gregg Newsom
Larry Redfearn

Don Staley
Valerie Warren
Timothy Wise

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Ram Gunabalan

Peter Strazdas

STAFF PRESENT:

Martha Yoder	Michigan OSHA Deputy Director
Marsha Parrott-Boyle	MIOsha Standards Section Program Manager
Bob Pawlowski	MIOsha Construction Safety & Health Division Director
Christine Hundt	MIOsha Standards Section, Analyst
Dena Hendon	MIOsha Standards Section, Analyst
Cindy D. Eicher	MIOsha Standards Section

VISITORS:

Peter Anderson	Associated General Contractors
Tom Swindlehurst	MIOsha Consultation, Education and Training Division

MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE CONSTRUCTION SAFETY STANDARDS COMMISSION IS TO PROVIDE THE LEADERSHIP AND VISION NECESSARY TO ENSURE A SAFE WORK ENVIRONMENT FOR THE MICHIGAN CONSTRUCTION COMMUNITY.

THE COMMISSION INVOLVES EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYERS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF SAFETY STANDARDS AS IT ENDEAVORS TO CONTINUALLY EXAMINE AND IMPROVE THOSE STANDARDS FOR PURPOSE, CLARITY, APPLICABILITY, ENFORCEABILITY, AND COST EFFECTIVENESS.

IT IS OUR VISION THAT WE BECOME A NATIONAL LEADER IN SAFETY FOR INDUSTRY BY INCORPORATING THE CHANGING NEEDS OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND METHODS INTO OUR STANDARDS.



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Agenda Item #1--Call to Order and Roll Call

Vice Chairperson Tom Boensch called the October 12, 2005 meeting to order. A roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

Agenda Item #2--Approval of Minutes for August 23, 2005 Meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Newsom and seconded by Commissioner Coleman to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2005 meeting. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Agenda Item #3--Standards Section Update-- Marsha Parrott-Boyle, Program Manager

Marsha Parrott-Boyle reviewed the "MIOSHA Goals for FY 2004-2009" and indicated the Standards Section is striving to reduce the backlog of standards to be reviewed by 70% in this five year period.

A handout was distributed and discussed in detailed that summarized standards in the promulgation process. An update was given to review the progress of rules undergoing revision including Part 26 Steel Erection which will be going to Public Hearing on November 29, 2005. A copy of the Public Hearing notice was distributed to Commission Members. Part 32 Aerial Work Platforms which is having joint advisory committee meetings with GI Part 58, Vehicle Mounted Elevating and Rotating Platforms, this group has met twice so far. The division is currently working on getting enough members to convene the CS Tower Erection Advisory Committee. A sheet was distributed containing the members that had previously been approved for that advisory committee. Staff will be contacting those individuals to see if they are still interested and able to serve and we hope to be receiving more applications to serve on this advisory committee

Agenda Item #4--Construction Safety & Health Division Update--Bob Pawlowski, Director

Mr. Pawlowski stated that sixteen construction fatalities have occurred this year—nine related to falls, four due to electrocution and three due to a trench/cave-in. Mr. Pawlowski also shared with the commissioners a significant case in which MIOSHA issued willful citations to Dalassandro Contracting.

Mr. Pawlowski informed the commissioners that the Construction Safety & Health Division (CSHD) is continuing to increase the number of joint inspections between construction safety officers and industrial hygienists. Last year 100 joint inspections were conducted and by mid September this year 160 had already been conducted.

The CSHD is continuing to work on the fall protection and fall hazards training initiative Letters have been sent to 62 organizations statewide and soon letters will be sent to more than 6,000 employers inviting them to contact MIOSHA for fall protection training.

The CSHD has posted on the MIOSHA website 12 "Construction Fact Sheets". Two were recently posted, Asbestos in Construction and Part 11, Fixed and Portable Ladders - Landing Platform.

The division is also continuing to focus more inspection time in residential construction, both single and multi-family dwellings. More then 140 additional inspections have been conducted in residential construction to date.

Mr. Pawlowski gave the commissioners an update on the Partnerships and Alliances the division has entered and the ones under proposal.

The four newest safety officers are about ready to wrap up their training and within the next month will be out on their own doing inspections. The new industrial hygienist hired within the Asbestos Program is now out conducting inspections.

Agenda Item #5--Michigan OSHA Update— Bob Pawlowski, Director

Mr. Pawlowski informed the commissioners that a good portion of MIOSHA's budget is federally funded and that our budget remains about the same this year as last year.

Mr. Pawlowski reminded the commissioners that on November 3rd there will be a "Governor's Workplace Safety and Health Forum" held at Macomb Community College. This forum will continue the Governor's focus on "Manufacturing Matters" in Michigan. The General Industry Safety Standards Commission and Occupational Health Standards Commission will be participating in a question and answer portion.

Agenda Item #6-- Cynthia Hutchens-Smith, Lansing Area OSHA Director

Ms. Hutchens-Smith was unable to attend the meeting.

Agenda Item #7--Old Business

None

Agenda Item #8-- New Business

None

Agenda Item #9--Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is January 20, 2006 in conjunction with the 2006 Michigan Construction Safety Day at the Kellogg Center in Lansing. It is anticipate the Commission meeting will be held at 1:00 pm. Details will be mailed to commissioners in the near future

It was also discussed that at the January meeting election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson will need to take place.

Agenda Item #10--Public Comment

None

Agenda Item #11--Adjournment

With no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned

Tom Boensch, Vice-Chairperson

Date